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1. [] Robert Smart telephoned advising the CIA Subcommittee of House Armed Services could meet with the Director for the monthly briefing at ten o'clock on Monday, 7 May. Mr. Smart agreed there should be a sweep of the room (313 Old House Office Bldg.) and indicated no reporter was necessary from their viewpoint.

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2. [] advised that the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy had been advised of []

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3. [] William Saltonstall in the office of Senator Leverett Saltonstall telephoned saying he had been contacted by a Washington correspondent for Bill Noland's Oakland newspaper, one Mary Philomena Von Herbert, FE 7-2230. Apparently she was working on some story which involves a person allegedly associated in the past with intelligence work in Germany with OSS and possibly G-2. Miss Von Herbert wanted some confirmation of this fact. I advised William Saltonstall that rather than working through us I would have our office which is concerned with relations with the press contact Miss Von Herbert direct.

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4. [] Talked with James Gehrig and Diane Kincaid, in the office of Senator Stuart Symington, about correspondence which the Senator received from Lawrence J. Meisel, of St. Louis, Missouri and the Senator's response. Meisel had sent the Senator a copy of a letter dated 25 April which was addressed to the Director in which he expressed concern about Communist advances in Jamaica and the West Indies. In his response to Meisel, Symington indicated he was asking CIA and State (who also received a copy of Meisel's letter) to advise him of their responses and that he would write Meisel further at that time. I indicated the Director has not as yet received Meisel's letter (which allegedly contains attachments) and, therefore, we were not in a position to respond. We will watch for this letter and check with the State Department to see if their copy has been received.

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